



William Glen Turner, Jr.

September 19, 1949 - February 17, 2025

William Glen Turner, Jr. (75) known to most as “Bill”, passed away on February 17, 2025 in Tallahassee, Florida after a short battle with pancreatic cancer. Bill was born on September 19, 1949, to his parents William Turner, Sr. and Faye Fleming Turner of Pensacola, Florida. After graduating from Pensacola High School, Bill attended Pensacola Junior College, before enlisting in the United States Army in 1970. Bill wanted to serve his country and he fulfilled that commitment by proudly serving for 25 years of combined time in the Army as active duty and Reserves. He served in both the Vietnam War and the Gulf War prior to his retirement as a Staff Sergeant.

Following his active duty in the military, Bill joined the Florida Highway Patrol. After graduating from the Highway Patrol Academy, Bill was assigned to Troop K of Broward County, where he patrolled the Florida Turnpike. During his time with the Florida Highway Patrol, his family moved throughout Florida including Coral Springs, Perry, and Tallahassee before finally retiring in Tallahassee as a Sergeant with over 25 years of service. Along with working as a state trooper, he spent many years as a Floor Security Supervisor at the Donald L. Tucker Civic Center, where he remained working up until this past November. After retirement, Bill being the hard worker he was, he could not bear to fully retire and went on to become a realtor. Bill dedicated 15 years to Coastwise Realty of Crawfordville, Florida and loved helping his clients find their perfect home. Many of his clients would become lifelong friends.

Bill's family were part of the founding members of Timberlane Church of Christ of Tallahassee. He enjoyed the many visits their leadership paid him during his final years. Over the past three years Bill enjoyed traveling abroad. During that time, he garnered friendships along his travels, that led him to meeting his Canadian friends. This friendship led him to traveling as a group with them; exploring places such as the Greek Isles, Scotland, Ireland, and most recently he had been on a two-week Safari in Africa. His other hobbies included nature walks, his pets, FSU basketball, baseball, music and lastly, he was an avid astronomy enthusiast.

Survivors include his children, Tammy Burns (Robert) and Craig Turner (Jackie); daughters of his late wife Jan, Julie Bumgarner (Jeff) and Jamie Westerling (Rob); five grandchildren and one great-grandson on the way; as well as a host of extended family members. Bill also leaves behind many past colleagues, friends, his pampered herd of cats and pet raccoons; whom he loved dearly! He was predeceased by his parents and his wife, Janith Charline Turner.

The family will be receiving guests for a visitation at Timberlane Church of Christ on Friday, March 14, 2025 at 10:00am with a funeral service to immediately follow at 11:00am. A committal service at Tallahassee National Cemetery will be held at 1:00pm.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Timberlane Church Of Christ
3569 Timberlane School Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32312

Funeral Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Committal Service

MAR 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ I knew Bill for the better part of 50 years and honored to supervise him for 5 years. His wife Jan worked in our office suite for several years. I enjoyed reading his travel posts and tributes to Jan after her death. Bill had a kind and gentle soul. Rest in peace Sgt. Bill.

Mike Boles - February 23, 2025 at 10:28 AM

FE

“ FHP Trooper Rich & Jackie Elliott purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William Glen Turner, Jr..



FHP Trooper Rich & Jackie Elliott - February 23, 2025 at 09:37 AM

LH

“ We were part of Bill's "travel family". We met, and adopted him as part of our group, on our trip to Scotland/Ireland in 2022. After that, as one of the "family", he travelled with us to Greece and Kenya/Tanzania. He was kind, warm-hearted, always ready to share a laugh. I will always remember his comment while on safari about being in "Giraffic Park". I'm sorry, Bill, that you won't be joining us on any more adventures, but those who remember you will raise a glass in your honour on our next trip. We will miss you.

Mark & Lorie Hough (Ontario, Canada)

Lorie Hough - February 22, 2025 at 04:14 PM



My dad loved traveling with all of you. It was a blessing that he met all of you on his Ireland trip. He spoke of all the fun he had with his traveling buddies. Thank you for adding my father to your group. You all helped him get out of his slump from when his wife Jan had passed away. For that, I will always be 🙏 grateful to all of you for that. Thank you!

February 22, 2025 at 08:52 PM



I met him when he was a realtor. He was always a gentleman. And seemed to be very kind: he always thought of all of his many friends. I am glad that he at least got to see Kenya's wildlife! I will miss him and his interesting posts on Facebook of course.

Ce Whitehead - February 25, 2025 at 04:29 PM

MJ

“ We traveled with Bill in Scotland/Ireland (2022) and Greece (2024). What a wonderful travel companion: always in high spirits, affable, and ready for adventure. We will miss him so much! Mark Johnston & Valerie Stecker (Chicago)

Mark Johnston - February 22, 2025 at 12:26 PM



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February 22, 2025 at 08:51 PM

JW

My dad talked about his travel buddies all the time. Thank you for showing him so much love and including him in the several adventures that he took. I was worried that he would be alone. He always told me that it lifted his spirits to get away from the house that my mom and Bill shared. He said he felt like it gave him a refresh and looked to forward to his next trip. Sadly this last trip would be his last, but his best. He's now with my mom and with all of us everyday. Thank you ❤️

Jaime Westerling - March 01, 2025 at 11:01 PM

JT

“ *Bill and I were in patrol school together in '74 and kept up with each other via FB..saddened to learn of his passing RIP ole' friend and fellow trooper*

Jerry Triplett - February 22, 2025 at 07:32 AM

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of William Glen Turner, Jr.*



Brenda - February 20, 2025 at 08:31 AM